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- The headquarters of the Dutch Army of Occupation and Base Command are at 1.
- The Base Command consists of four newly organized battalions of recruits called "guard battalions", and depot platoons of various battalions. In all, there are about 3,500 men. The new Base Commandant has not yet been named.
- Territorial Command, West Java. The whole of West Java, excepting the town of 3. Batavia, is occupied by the "7th December" Division of six infantry brigades plus artillery, armored and tank units, engineers, and other divisional supporting units. The Commandant is Major General Durst Britt, whose age is 54; The Chief of Staff is Lieutenant Colonel E.F. Holle. This division is also called the "C Division", and headquarters is at Bandoeng.
- Territorial Command, Middle Java, "B Division". In this area, which is under "B Division", there are four infantry brigades plus regular divisional troops, artillery and engineers. Actually this division occupies only the residencies of Pekalongan and Semarang. The remainder of the area is in Republican hands. The Acting Commandant is Colonel J.K. Meyer, who has just been made temporary Major General. Division headquarters is at Semarang.
- Territorial Command, Middle Java, "A Division". This command includes Madura, and "A Division" consists of four infantry brigades and divisional troops. It 5。 occupies almost all of East Java except part of the Residency Kediri, Bodjonegoro, and a small part of the Residency Malang, where about 2,000 Japanese, fully armed, are still ruling the mountain regions. The Commandant of "A Division" is Major General Baay, and headquarters is at Sperabaya.
- The islands of Java and Madura are occupied by about 70,000 Dutch and mercenary 6.

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